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SRI V. K. RAMASWAMY MUDALIAR : Sir, I may say for the information of the Hon. Minister and the Members that the price of salt is much below the pre-war level and that there has been going on indiscriminate scrapping in all places without any control whatsoever by the authorities. In view of the fact that the consumption of this salt will be injurious to the health of the consumers, will the Government take up this question with the Government of India and see that something is done to improve the quality of salt?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Sir, I would like the hon. member to write to me so that I may forward his representation to the Government of India.

Industrial School

* 175 *Q.*—SRI M. K. MARIAPPAN (on behalf of SRI V. Arunachala Thevar) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries be pleased to state whether there is any proposal to start an Industrial School or a Polytechnic at Pudukottai town?

THE HON. SRI R. VENKATARAMAN : Proposals for starting an Indsutrial School in Pudukottai are under the consideration of the Government. There is no proposal at present for the opening of a Polytechnic in Pudukottai town.

State Transport Advisory Committee

* 157 *Q.*—SRI A. R. SUBBIAH MUDALIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Electricity be pleased to state the functions of the State Transport Advisory Committee?

THE HON. SRI V. RAMAIAH : The functions of the Committee are to advise Government on all important matters relating to motor transport.

New Railway lines

* **159 Q.**—SRI **P. G.** MANICKAM : கனம் உள் விவகார **அமைச்சர்** அவர்கள் தயவுசெய்து பதிலளிப்பாரா—

1958–59-ல் எந்தெந்த புதிய ரயில்வே லைன்களை எடுத்து நடத்த மத்திய அரசாங்கம் சம்மதித்திருக்கிறது?

THE HON. SRI M. **BHAKTAVATSALAM : No new Railway** line has been approved by the Government of India for construction in **1958-59** in this State.

SRI P. G. MANICKAM : ஸார், எத்தனை ரெயில்வே லைன்களுக்கு சர்வே செய்யப்பட்டன ; அவைகளில் எத்தனை இந்திய சர்க்காரால் ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளப்பட்டிருக்கின்றன ?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM : இந்த சர்க்கார் **13** ரெயில்வே லைன்களை எடுத்துக்கொள்ள வேண்டுமென்று சிபார்சு செய்து, அவைகளில் 6 லைன்கள் மிக முக்கியமாகக் கருதி கவனிக்கப்பட வேண்டும் என்று சிபாரிசு செய்திருக்கிறது. சர்வே செய்யப்பட்ட தகவல் இல்லை.

(சில அங்கத்தினர்கள் தங்கள் இடத்தில் நின்றார்கள்.)

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MR SPEAKER : இன்னும் ஐந்து நிமிஷங்கள் தான் இருக்கின்றன. அதிகமான உப கேள்விகள் கேட்டால், எப்படி எல்லாக் கேள்விகளையும் முடிக்க முடியும்.

Water Supply

* 162 *Q.*—SRI T. SAMPATH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether any representation has been received recently from the Panchayat Board, Darasuram, Kumbakonam taluk, regarding the protected water-supply scheme for the panchayat area under the National Water Supply Scheme; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU : (*a*) The President, Darasuram Panchayat made representations to the Assistant Engineer, National Water-Supply and Sanitation subdivision, Kumbakonam, for the provision of water-supply in the village.

(*b*) Plans and estimates for the provision of water-supply in the village are expected to be submitted by the Assistant Engineer to the Collector of Tanjore in August 1958.

SRI K. VINAYAKAM : On a point of information, Sir, to-day being a non-official day, the Hon. Speaker may be kind enough to extend the time for questions by ten or fifteen minutes.

MR. SPEAKER : Will the House give permission for it?

Hon. Members : ' No ', ' No '.

Irrigation

* 164 *Q.*—SRI R. SRINIVASA IYER : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there is any proposal to extend irrigation with Cauvery water (from Grant Anicut Canal) south of Vellar river in the Aranthangi taluk; and

(*b*) if so, to what extent?

THE HON. SRI P. KAKKAN : (*a*) No, Sir.

(*b*) Does not arise.

Kanyakumari District Magistrate

* 166 *Q.*—SRI T. T. DANIEL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Home be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether there are complaint petitions against the District Magistrate, Kanyakumari district; and

(*b*) if so, the nature of the complaint and the steps taken by the Government on such complaints?